

LOCAL ITEMS.

WEATHER PROBABILITIES.—War Department, Office of the Chief Signal Officer, Washington, D. C., April 19, 1876.—10:30 a. m.—F. The Middle Atlantic States north-west winds, back to warmer; southwest, stationary barometer and clear weather.

THE MINERAL BUREAU.—Reports from the Mineral Bureau are encouraging. Since the positive announcement, made by circular, that space had been procured at the Centennial Exhibition, letters and samples have been pouring in, and a very creditable collection is now assured. Samples recently received and not previously noted, are as follows: From L. Scott, magnetic iron ore, near Staunton river; C. R. Boyd, magnesian iron ore, near M. X. Meadows' depot; manganese ore, deposits extending through portions of Wythe and Bland counties; kaoline, Lick Mountain, Wythe county; copper pyrites, with azurite, Doboy's ulcer, Carroll county; copper pyrites from Great Copper Lode, Carroll county; carbonate and native copper, from Native Lode, Carroll county; and a collection of iron and copper pyrites; iron ore, lead spars and other minerals from Grayson county; Joseph T. Wood, red hematite, near Gordonsville; Carson & Sons, lime and lime-stone, Riverton, Warren county; D. C. E. Brady, iron ore and manganese, Buffalo Forge, Rockbridge county; James M. Hunt, brown hematite, Rock & Hand, Wythe county; C. V. Haden, sulphate of baryta, Chickens'arger ore, near Charlottesville; Wm. Boyer, brown hematite, manganese ore and lime-stone, near Woodstock; M. H. Farley, samples of auriferous quartz and sulphurates, from the Pollard and Wyckoff mines, Fauquier county; John Wessler & Son, collections of iron ore and lime-stones from deposits at Columbia and Liberty Furnaces, Shenandoah county; P. B. Y. ang, iron ore, Montreal, Nelson county; Thomas W. Swann, pure white sand, suitable for making glass, Broad Run, Fauquier county; Edward C. Fitzhugh, steatite, Fairfax county, eight miles from Alexandria. Many of these minerals are of very superior quality, and most of them above the average. Messrs. Carson & Sons deserve special mention for the handsome way in which their specimens are gotten up. Samples of their lime, analyzed in England, were pronounced superior to anything of the kind produced in that country, and worth, at the prices then ruling in London, 5 pounds sterling per ton. Assays of the Pollard quarry range from \$5 to \$35 per ton, and working tests show an average of \$20. Assays of numerous specimens from the Wyckoff property range from \$6 to \$75 per ton. Analysis of the Chickens'arger ore shows over 58 per cent. of metallic iron, and practically no sulphur or phosphorus. Thirty or more additional samples are expected at the Bureau within the next week. Other samples, including a very large mass of coal, 20 feet in height, from Grant county, W. Va., by the Washington and Ohio Railroad Company, will be shipped direct to Philadelphia.

Y. M. C. A.—The regular monthly meeting of the Young Men's Christian Association was held in their room, on King street, last night, with A. J. Fleming, President, in the chair, and B. D. Stallions, Secretary pro tem. After the usual religious exercises, the minutes of the February meeting were read and approved.

Mr. H. W. Beadle, from the Executive Committee, reported the name of Rev. Wm. C. Webb, of the M. E. Church, for active membership, and he was unanimously elected, and the Secretary directed to inform him of his election.

The General Secretary made his usual monthly report of the receipts and disbursements of the Association.

The Corresponding Secretary reported that the tracts ordered at a previous meeting had been received and placed in the hands of the General Secretary, where the chairman of the several committees could procure them for distribution, and upon his motion the whole matter relating to tracts was referred to the General Secretary.

Bills to the amount of \$5 63 was ordered to be paid.

The Jail and Alms House Committees made reports of a character calculated to encourage the members to continue in their good work of carrying the good news of the Gospel to those who are deprived from hearing it to the ordinary way.

The subject of open air meetings coming up, it was finally decided in all its bearings; as to the best points to hold them and the best mode of conducting the meetings.

The President then withdrew his appointment for the open air service, with the understanding that he would make some slight change in the second division, or week night committee, and increase the first division to twenty members, so that services could be conducted at both the Tunnel and Naylor's Hill at the same time during the summer.

The General Secretary was requested to announce that an open air meeting would be held at the tunnel next Sunday evening, if the weather proved favorable.

A letter from Richmond in regard to the employment of a Permanent Secretary for the State Association was referred to the Executive Committee.

After singing the hymn, "Jesus lover of my soul," the meeting, at 9:30, adjourned.

SOCIETY NEWS.—A writer in the Washington Chronicle, of this morning, is noticing a very pleasant social entertainment given in this city on Monday night, says:

"Our sister city, Alexandria, Va., was all excitement Easter Monday evening, the occasion being the grand party given by Dr. and Mrs. French to their daughter, Miss Mamie, an attractive little brunette. For weeks past this party has been the principal topic among the many pretty young ladies for which the city is justly famed; and despite the sombre season of Lent, in which the mind is supposed to dwell upon matters of a religious turn, the young people were busy in preparing their new dresses so as to present the best appearance possible, and in this respect they succeeded admirably. The guests were received by Miss Mamie, who was tastefully attired in an exquisite pink silk en train, with overdress of white illusion decollete, hair powdered. The guests commenced to arrive about 9 o'clock, and pretty soon the spacious saloon was filled with beautiful, well-dressed young ladies and handsome men. The floors were covered with crash, tulle drawn, and afforded the lovers of the once ample opportunity to indulge in their favorite pastime. Dancing was kept up during the entire evening, except the time devoted to doing justice to a sumptuous repast prepared by the host and hostess. The evening was one of continued enjoyment, and the hour of departure, which was a late, or better, perhaps, an early one, was regretted by all."

COAL TRADE ITEMS.—On Monday the Consolidation Company notified the officials of the Blue Avon Coal Company here that unless the old rates were paid for shipments of coal over Cumberland and Pennsylvania railroad, which brings the coal from the mines to Cumberland, the Consolidation would stop the cars on their yesterday. The officials of the Blue Avon Company said that they will pay the old rates, but under protest, which will prevent future action for the recovery of the excess.

It was also given out that the Borden Company has picked down the cash for shipments over the Cumberland and Pennsylvania road at the old figures.

The number of boats cleared from Cumberland during the week ending April 15th, was 72, carrying 7,444.15 tons of coal.

The boatmen who have been lying idle at

Cumberland on account of the miners' strike, are said to be getting desperate and held a meeting last night to take action on the situation. The result of the meeting has not yet transpired.

CORPORATION COURT.—Judge E. M. Lowe presiding.—The estate of George Bryan, deceased, was committed to the Sergeant for administration.

The will of Edward Pyne was admitted to probate, and Cornelius J. Cummings qualified as executor thereof.

M. Harlow, John P. Rice and M. B. Harlow were appointed appraisers of the estate of Edward Pyne, deceased.

Fowler's heirs vs. Nightingill's heirs; judgment; jury and verdict for plaintiff for possession of property in fee simple.

Nightingill's heirs vs. F. W. F. heirs; judgment; submitted; decision reserved.

Bank of Old Dominion vs. McVeigh et al.; debt; case in progress.

SUPPOSED ATTEMPT AT ROBBERY.—About ten o'clock last night some person, unknown, broke one of the large panes of glass, in the window of the store of S. Lindheimer, on the corner of King and Fairfax streets. Two young men, coming down King street, heard the crash of the glass and ran around the corner to ascertain the cause, but the party had escaped. It is supposed that the glass was broken with a view to robbing the store. The young men, who frustrated the attempt, meeting Superintendent of Police Clifford, a few minutes afterwards, called his attention to the matter, and he awakened Mr. Lindheimer and had the place made secure.

POLICE REPORT.—In the absence of the Mayor, S. H. Janney, esq., President of the Board of Aldermen, presided at police headquarters this morning. For disorderly conduct, on complaint of Thomas Campbell, was fined and bound over to keep the peace.

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Two white women, for fighting, were bound over to keep the peace.

Eight lodgers were at the station house last night.

CHANGE OF SCHEDULE.—A new schedule will go into operation on the Virginia Midland road on the 30th inst., by which the mail train that now arrives here from Lynchburg at 6:40 p. m. will arrive at 4:15 p. m., making close connection at Washington with the Philadelphia train. On the Manassas branch the present mixed train will be continued, and, in addition, the passenger train which was taken off last fall will be again put on, leaving this city at 5 p. m. and arriving at 8:45 a. m. With these exceptions the schedule will be the same as that now in use.

MURDER IN RICHMOND.—A letter received this morning, from King George county, dated the 17th inst., says: "Information through a reliable source has been received here to-day that Mr. Wm. Faribault, the county treasurer of Essex, was murdered on Saturday last near Union Wharf, in Richmond county. He had crossed the Rappahannock at Bowles' Ferry in discharge of some official duty, and was killed, it is thought, for the money it was supposed he carried. He was a young man and would have been married in a few days."

FISH REPORT.—The receipts of fish continue about the same, the fishermen, however, along the river still entertain hopes of a good fishery. Since our last report there have been received at Fishston 10,400 shad, 71,500 herrings, 500 bunches of rock and perch, and 1,500 tailors. The prices, particularly of shad, are fluctuating. Shad sold this morning from \$14 to \$17 per hundred, herrings from \$11.50 to \$12.75 per thousand, rock from 15 to 20 cents per bunch, white perch 10 to 12 cents, and tailors 10 a piece.

THE ST. ASAPH STREET TRACK.—The witnesses in the case of the indictment for maintaining a nuisance, found against the Alexandria and Washington Railroad Company, as published in yesterday's Gazette, have been summoned to attend at the Corporation Court to-morrow, and it is expected that the case will then be taken up and disposed of. No information has yet been received of the action of Judge Keith, on the application for an injunction against the running of the trains between Princess and King streets.

CLAIM FOR DAMAGES.—Mr. Hutton presented in the House yesterday the petition of P. H. Hoff, of Fairfax county, Va., asking to be paid the sum of \$3,899.50 for articles actually used by the army of the United States during the late war. The petitioner represents that the lost thousands of dollars by reason of the occupation of his farm and the fortifications built upon it, but he makes no claim for that. All that he asks is pay for articles actually used. The petition was referred to the Committee on War Claims.

SHIP YARD.—A meeting of the Directors of the Alexandria Marine Railway Company was held, this morning, at the German Bank. They elected Park Agnew President and Isaac Eichenberg Vice President. Messrs. W. H. Bacon, secretary, and James H. Reid, treasurer, still retain the positions they have so satisfactorily filled during the past year. Mr. Joseph Broderick, the worthy and efficient President of last year, positively declined a re-election.

COUNTY CONSERVATIVE COMMITTEE.—A meeting of the County Conservative Committee is to be held at the Auditor's office on Friday evening next. The object of the meeting is to make arrangements for the coming election for municipal officers and a member of the House of Delegates. It is rumored that Isaac Smith, as the county has to be consulted in the nomination for the House of Delegates, that a convention will be held instead of a primary election, as heretofore.

ABSCONDED.—A man named McCann, who had lately opened a drinking shop on Royal street, where the Civil Rights bill was carried out faithfully, having failed to realize his dreams of wealth, left town last night without settling various little bills for repairs and fixtures and work done. He obtained most of his liquors in Washington, where his heaviest liabilities are.

A RAILROAD CLAIM.—Mr. Hutton introduced in the House, yesterday, a bill authorizing the Secretary of the Treasury to pay the claim of the Washington and Ohio Railroad Company for railroad material and supplies furnished the military authorities of the United States in 1861, amounting to \$5,743.49. The bill was referred to the Committee on Railways and Canals.

NOT A WITNESS.—Mr. Geo. W. Clifford desires to state that he was not a witness before the Grand Jury in the matter of the St. Asaph street railroad track, nor was he in any manner connected with the procurement of that indictment.

A LETTER was received this morning from Mr. W. E. H. Clagett, who formerly resided here, but now lives in Rodney, Jefferson county, Miss., in which he says that owing to the heavy rain in that section, there is every prospect of a considerable flood.

GYPSIES.—Six wagon loads of Gypsies passed through this city to-day on their way Northward.

NOTES FROM PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY.—The prospect for fruit is excellent. Wheat is good but is not thinly sown. Sheep are doing well; C. W. Hazen has the best lambs. The soil is in good condition for ploughing. The Legislature ought to prohibit the destruction of the flocks of birds which are so useful in the destruction of insects.

Rev. Charles Nourse delivered a very fine temperance lecture in the Presbyterian Church on Saturday night.

The Easter services in the M. E. Church, on last Sabbath, were well attended.

Elit H. Potter, esq., and Miss F. C. Carolina Kirby were united in holy wedlock by Rev. C. King, on the 18th inst.

George Trimmer is Mayor of Manassas. He is a good temperance man. All is quiet on the Potomac.

BANK OF THE OLD DOMINION VS. McVEIGH.

—When the court report closed yesterday the argument was still in progress on the admissibility of evidence of a certain extract from the Bank of the Old Dominion held shortly after the war. This morning the argument was continued by Mr. Claugton for the bank, and Messrs. S. F. Beach and Howard for the defense. The court ruled the evidence inadmissible, whereupon the counsel for the bank took exceptions and were engaged in preparing the bill of exceptions when this report closed.

THE FIRE AT FAIRFAX STATION.—The railroad station house at Fairfax Station, mention of the burning of which was made in yesterday's Gazette, was one of the handiwork on the line of the road. It contained, besides the ticket office and freight room a country store, kept by the agent, Mr. J. E. Mitchell, and the Adams Express office. The fire broke out about midnight, and so rapidly did the flames spread that a colored man who was asleep in the building was barely awakened in time to save his life. It is not yet known when the building will be rebuilt.

The Markets.

NEW YORK, April 19.—Stocks active and the market very unsettled. Money 3 bid, Gold 12 1/2. Flour quiet and unchanged. Wheat dull and unchanged. Corn steady.

BALTIMORE, April 19.—Virginia sixes, old, 30; do, consolidated 68. W. Va's, 9. Cotton very dull; middling 12 1/2. Flour active, firm and unchanged. Wheat steady and firm, but quiet; No. 2 Western red 150.15; Pennsylvania red 155.10; Maryland red 155.10; do, amber 153.15; do, white 145.10. Corn—Southern du; Western yellow 64. Western mixed 64 1/2; 64 1/2; 64 1/2. Oats steady; Southern good to prime 45.50; Western white 46.45; Western mixed 41.44. Rye firm, but quiet at 80.85. Hay scarce and firm; Maryland and Pennsylvania 21.87. Provisions quiet and steady. Pork steady at \$23. Bulk meat—shoulders 84.90, clear rib sides 124; loaves 94.12, 1/2, 1/2. Bacon—shoulders 104.10; clear rib sides 134.14. Hams 154.16. Lard weak and lower; refined 14 1/2. Butter quiet and weak; Western prime to choice 33.35; do, good to prime 30.33. C. F. dull and heavy; Rio cargoes 15 1/2; 18 1/2; 19 1/2. Sugar active and very firm at 95.10. Whiskey quiet at \$1.12 1/2.

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FOR SALE.

Will be sold by public auction, on SATURDAY, April 22d, 1876, at 12 o'clock m., in front of the Market House, Royal street, that very desirable THREE-STORY BRICK DWELLING HOUSE, No. 169 King st., now occupied by Dr. A. C. Cox.

At the same time and place will be offered for sale TWO BUILDING LOTS on the north side of Prince street near Payne.

Terms made known at sale.

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FOR SALE OR RENT.—THE LARGE

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Satisfaction guaranteed.

OLD PICTURES COPIED to any size desired.

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NOTICE.—THE GRAND BALL, to have

been given last night at the Alexandria

Ball Room, has been POSTPONED UNTIL

MONDAY, May 1st. The tickets already sold

remain good. By order of the

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TELEGRAPH NEWS.

FROM WASHINGTON.

THE IMPEACHMENT CASE.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 19, 1876.—Soon after the opening of the Senate to-day the Clerk of the House appeared at the bar and announced that the House of Representatives had adopted a resolution to the plea of Wm. W. Belknap, which would be presented by the managers on the part of the House.

The President. The Senate is ready to receive the managers.

After a short interval the managers were announced, and took their seats. Mr. Knott was absent. The counsel for the defence was present, as was Mr. Belknap, who sat beside his counsel.

The galleries of the Senate were filled to overflowing, presenting a vast sea of heads. All the wall seats on the floor were occupied, Lieutenant Governor Thomas, of Virginia, occupying one of them.

At 1 o'clock Mr. Lord, of the managers, announced that they had, in the name of the House of Representatives, filed a replication to Mr. Belknap's plea to the jurisdiction.

The first replication affirms that although Mr. Belknap is now a private citizen, yet at the time of the commission of the crimes charged he was an officer of the United States. The second replication avers that Belknap, on the 2d of March last, resigned his office after the proceedings for his impeachment had been commenced by the House, and with intent to delay the impeachment.

Mr. Carpenter, for the defence, then said: Mr. Belknap asks a copy of the replication filed by the House and time until Monday next to consider of his rejoinder.

Manager Lord responded that while the motion for delay until Monday was not in itself unreasonable, there were special reasons for urging speed in this case.

Mr. Edmunds introduced an order that the defendant file his rejoinder on the 25th inst., and that the House of Representatives file its sur-rejoinder, if any, on the 26th inst., and that the Senate meet again as a court of impeachment on the 27th inst. This order was agreed to and the court of impeachment adjourned until the 27th inst.

The "Witness Protection" bill was then taken up, and Mr. Thurman, of Ohio, spoke thereon. The bill was postponed.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

The House of Representatives agreed upon a resolution to the plea of Mr. Belknap in the impeachment case.

The Florida contested election case was then taken up.

THE KILBOURN CASE.

The habeas corpus case of Hallet Kilbourn was heard at the City Hall by Judge Carter this morning, Messrs. Carpenter, Shellabarger and others addressing the Court. The case had not concluded at a late hour.

The National Guard and the Centennial.

ALBANY, N. Y., April 19.—The Adjutant General has issued a general order permitting all bodies of the regularly uniformed, armed and equipped militia of the various States visiting Philadelphia during the Centennial Exhibition to pass and repass through this State. A circular is also issued embodying a similar communication from the Adjutant General of Pennsylvania, stating the arrangements that have been made for the encampment of the organized militia and the National Guard in Fairmount Park. The quantity of land designated for that purpose is 260 acres. The Governor of Pennsylvania is charged by the Commissioners with the allotment and assignment of grounds to the military bodies who may visit Philadelphia during the Centennial. It is intended to get the land apart by States, and it is consequently desirable as early as practicable to know what, if any organizations intend to visit the exhibition for the purpose of encampment, and when the number of men in each organization who are expected to be present, and the name of each regimental battalion and company, commandant, and the designation by name, letter or number of the several bodies. It is understood that all bodies must come provided with camp equipment and arrange for and provide themselves with their subsistence. The Adjutant General of this State requests organizations of the National Guard intending to visit Philadelphia during the Centennial Exhibition to make a report to his headquarters at the earliest moment practicable giving the information desired by the Adjutant General of Pennsylvania, and also make a requisition for the necessary numbers of tents, which is all the aid that the mass at the disposal of the military department of the State will admit of.

Crime.

LONDON, April 19.—On March 30th last, the body of a girl seven years of age named Emily Holland, whose parents live in Black-burn, was found at that place. The arms, legs and trunk was folded up in paper. The girl had been missing several days. She was last seen feeling tobacco for a strange man who was supposed to be the murderer. A barber named Fish, a married man and the father of several children, has now confessed to having outraged and murdered the girl and afterwards mutilating the body.

Mrs. Porter, residing at No. 46 Maude Grove, Chelsea, was murdered on Thursday last, and circumstances point strongly to a man named Wm. Wallace and his wife who are Americans, as the perpetrators.

Death.

NEW YORK, April 19.—Dixon F. Marks, for many years connected with telegraph companies in this city and well known as an electrician, died this morning of consumption, aged 43.

Dolan's Case.

ALBANY, April 19.—Gov. Tilden has determined not to interfere under any circumstances in the case of Dolan, the Noe murder, and he must be hanged on Friday.

Planet Discovered.

ANN ARBOR, MICH., April 19.—Professor Watson reports the discovery on the night of the 16th inst., in the Constellation Virgo, a planet hitherto unknown.

We are nearer to the sun by 3,423,000 miles than was believed but a few years since. The distances of the other planets are to be diminished in a corresponding ratio—the reduction in the case of Neptune, the most remote, amounting to no less than 100,000,000 miles.

MARBLE YARD.

Having taken charge of the Marble Yard at the corner of DUKE and ALFRED STS., in behalf of the widow of the late Wm. Owens, I am now prepared to furnish ALL KINDS OF GRAVE STONES and BUILDING WORK as cheap as the cheapest.

WM. CHAUNCEY.

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AUCTION SALES.

By Wash. B. Williams, Auctioneer.

[Washington, D. C.]

BANKRUPTCY.

The stock of a New York Wholesale Importing House at Auction—Large Bankrupt sale of

DRY GOODS.

consisting in part of the stock of the late firm of R. M. & B. J. McNamee & Co., of New York. Important to the trade and public. Over \$173,000 worth of Foreign and Domestic DRY GOODS at auction, at their large and spacious store, corner Tenth and D streets, Washington, D. C., commencing

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